[Mr. T. C. Kesava Pillai.]

(*a*) whether there are any definite principles followed by the Police Department in recruiting Inspectors from the subordinate staff;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what these principles are;

(*c*) whether the Commissioner has any voice in the acts of the District Superintendents of Police; and

(*d*) whether he has made any alteration in any instances where a District Superintendent of Police has violated the above mentioned principles?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) Yes. Deserving and competent Head Constables are promoted as Inspectors provided that such promotions do not exceed 25% of the vacancies.

(*c*) and (*d*). The appointment of 3rd Grade Inspectors is vested in the Commissioner of Police. Hence these do not arise.

Depressed Class Students in Colleges.

42. **MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of students of the depressed classes in the several Colleges of the State and also the names of the Colleges and the number of such students in each?

MR. R. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is one student in the Scott Christian College, Nagercoil, of the depressed classes, treated as such for the purposes of fee concessions in G. O. R. Dis No. 463 of 24 Edn., dated the 15th May 1924.

Farewell Meetings on behalf of Police Officers.

43. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to ascertain and state the nature and number of farewell meetings held by the public for police officers during 1100-1105?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The Commissioner of Police reports that no statistics are maintained on this account.

Filling up of permanent vacancies of District Judges.

44. **MR. V. S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list showing the permanent vacancies of District Judges which are not yet 18-5-1105) permanently filled up as well as the duration of each of them?

(2) Will they be pleased to state the reasons for not filling these permanent vacancies permanently?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (1) There were no permanent vacancies of District Judges which remained to be filled up on the 18th Dhanu 1105;

(2) In view of answer to part (1) above this does not arise.

Contributions towards land revenue by the various communities.

45. **MR. TAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTOMMAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table, a statement showing the respective amounts of land revenue contributed to the State Treasury

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by the various important communities in the State such as the Malayala Brahmins, Paradesa Brahmins, Nayars, Christians, Ezhavas, Mahomedans and the like?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The information is not available as no separate records are maintained to show the amount of land revenue paid by the various communities in the State.

Protector of the Depressed Classes.

46. **MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the reason for not appointing a Protector of the Depressed Classes?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is at present a Protector of the Depressed Classes. The question of appointing a full-time Protector is under consideration.

Copyists of the Revenue Department.

47. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*): Are the Government aware that there is severe heart-burning on the part of the Revenue copyists in the State in that they are not given a definite pay in the permanent services of the State?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the answer given on the 25th April 1929 as No. 272 at page 482 of the Council Proceedings Vol. XIV, No. 7, to Mr. V. S. Krishna Pillai on the same subject. There can be no hardship to the copyists as they take up the appointments knowing they are non-pensionable.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know from the member whether a petition had not been presented by the Revenue copyists to the Land Revenue Commissioner praying that they should be made permanent and that they should be borne on the pensionable staff?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): There might have been. That question came up, it was considered by Government and then only was a decision arrived at.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know whether the Commissioner had recommended that all these copyists should be made permanent?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I cannot say that.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): My information is that the Commissioner had definitely made such a recommendation. I am open to correction.

PRESIDENT: Perhaps you are not entitled to get information as to what a subordinate officer of the Government recommended to Government.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): If the Government are not prepared to give me that information I cannot proceed.

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